

## CONSUL GORDON SAYS LOSS BIG IF STORY TRUE

British Official Remarks on Peculiarities of Early Reports

If reports from London to the effect that Lord Kitchener is dead are true, England has suffered a loss probably equally as tremendous as that which came through the passing of Lord Roberts, the late brilliant military leader and statesman.

In these few words E. L. S. Gordon, local British consul, in substance today expressed his opinion as to the effects on Great Britain of the reported death of the famous English war secretary for the United Kingdom.

Consul Gordon, however, states that in his mind the report of Kitchener's death is a curious one. "What was the doing at sea aboard the Hampshire was the question asked by the consul when informed by a representative of the Star-Bulletin of the contents of the overnight despatch. The consul had not read the morning papers. "That is the question which bothers me," he continued. "Also, what was the Hampshire doing near the Orkney Islands. They are to the north of Scotland and you could not very well say they are in the North sea."

The consul admitted he could not understand the report.

"But if it is true that he is dead," he said, "his death will be a tremendous loss to England."

Consul Gordon had received no official communications regarding the reported death of Kitchener up to that time. He informed the Star-Bulletin this morning that it is likely he will receive no details. It is not customary to inform consuls in matters of this nature, he said.

A man upon whom had been conferred many titles of rank and nobility was Horatio Herbert Kitchener, field marshal, Earl Kitchener of Khartoum and of Broome, Viscount Broome of Broome and Baron Denton of Denton, K. P., C. B., G. C. B., O. M., G. C. S. I., G. C. M. G., G. C. I. E., L. L. D., Knight of the First of St. John of Jerusalem, etc.

## MRS. THEODORE RICHARDS HEADS WOMAN'S BOARD

Annual Meeting Today Shows Progress in All Departments of Board Work

Mrs. Theodore Richards was re-elected president of the Woman's Board of Missions of the Pacific Islands at the annual meeting of that organization held today in the Bible school rooms of Central Union church.

Other officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Miss Alice Knapp, 1st vice-president; Mrs. Henry Judd, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Anne A. Ebersole, 3rd vice-president; Mrs. Robert Day Williams, recording secretary; Mrs. Edgar Wood, home corresponding secretary; Mrs. B. F. Dillingham, treasurer; Mrs. Doremus Scudder, acting treasurer; and Mrs. Norman C. Schenck, foreign corresponding secretary.

Today's meeting was opened with devotional services led by Rev. Mr. Schenck. Resolutions were passed in appreciation of the work done by Mrs. Elijah MacKenzie as former head of the Beretania settlement. The resignation of Miss Rose Latcher as head of the Hawaiian work of the board of missions was accepted. The monthly report of the recording secretary and the annual report of the same officer were presented by Miss M. Sheeley. The report of the home corresponding secretary was read by Mrs. Wade Warren Thayer. These reports showed that large gains have been made during the last year in the various departments of the mission. That the organization is in excellent financial condition was shown in the report of the treasurer, read by Mrs. Scudder.

Facts concerning the recent successful Baby Week, the work of the Child Welfare Committee and the securing of two months of vacation school were presented by Mrs. Philip Weaver. Other reports were presented as follows:

Hawaiian department, Miss Latcher; Lima Kokua, Mrs. Scudder; Japanese department, Mrs. Gulick; greetings from St. Andrew's Auxiliary, Mrs. Lawrence Judd; greetings from the Methodist church, Mrs. L. L. Looftbourrow; greetings from the Christian church, Mrs. D. C. Peters; Portuguese department, Mrs. A. V. Soares; report of the Aurora band, Portuguese church; report of the foreign corresponding secretary, Miss Agnes Judd; report of the Chinese department, Mrs. MacKenzie.

About 115 members of the board were present. At noon a luncheon was served in the parish house.

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## LORD KITCHENER'S CAREER WAS ONE OF MANY HIGH ACHIEVEMENTS

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England that the drive had halted owing to a shortage of munitions. A section of the press declared that Kitchener had made a serious mistake in providing large quantities of shrapnel and insufficient high explosives. By a minority of papers it was suggested that he should be displaced as war secretary, and it was agreed that the raising of a big army and supplying munitions at the same time was too great a task for one man.

The discussion developed the formation of a coalition cabinet and the creation of the new portfolio of minister of munitions, of which David Lloyd George took charge, while Kitchener remained as war minister.

Without his crowning achievements as the great organizer of the British campaign in the European war, Kitchener had already won wide and lasting fame by his many campaigns in Egypt, South Africa and in India.

He was born June 24, 1850, in County Kerry, Ireland, a fact that gave rise to a general belief that he was of Irish blood, but his parents were of French and English descent. His father was a soldier, but of no very high rank. He had managed to climb to the lieutenant-colonelcy of a dragoon regiment, when he retired to the estate in Ireland where Horatio Herbert Kitchener, the to-be-distinguished son, was born. Young Kitchener received his fundamental military education at Woolwich, where he displayed only ordinary brilliancy, with the exception of his liking for mathematics. On graduating he received a commission in the Royal Engineers, but when not yet 21 years of age he attached himself to a French army in the Franco-Prussian war. He had been in the service only a short time when he contracted pneumonia during a balloon flight, and had such a prolonged and serious illness that he had to give up further service for France. Kitchener's experience in European warfare—prior to his direction of the great war of 1914—therefore, had been limited only to a few balloon flights in France.

In 1886 he became governor of the Red Sea territories and set in motion a series of raids on the notorious Osman Digna, the dervish leader. In one of these raids Kitchener's men were flanked and put to flight, during which he received a bullet which broke his jaw.

By this time much was heard in England of Kitchener's work in Egypt and when he returned there for a short rest he was received with honor and nominated aide-de-camp of Queen Victoria. With his health recruited, he went back to Egypt where, on the resignation of Sir Francis Grenfell, he was appointed Sirdar (Commander) of the Egyptian army. His really great career dates from that time.

## FAIR PARTISAN AIDS HOLLINGER IN CONTROVERSY

Supervisor Will Present Letter From Young Lady to Supervisors at Next Meeting

Supervisor Hollinger is in a controversy with other members of the Board of Supervisors relative to a bill for 20 dozen bathing suits purchased for the public baths. He has received a letter which he will have read to the board and which he considers a "clincher" to his arguments. This letter is from a young lady and is as follows:

"To the Board of Supervisors:  
"Why don't you have decent bathing suits at the public baths? We hear so much of your beach in California and when we come here and want to spend the day on the beach we can't do it. We can't go to the Seaside with our lunches. They won't allow it. We go to the baths and can't get a suit. Vacation is coming on and we will be able to go out more and more and don't want to be bothered carrying bathing suits, so please get some. And another thing—why don't you do as some of the California resorts do on a holiday and have some music for dancing for a nickel? You have the music play at night, but our mothers won't allow us out at night, so you ought to have some amusements for young girls at least. Please give this matter your kind attention and oblige,  
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## WORK IN MANOA IS EXPECTED TO START JULY 1

Work in Manoa will probably start soon after July 1. This was the prediction of O. G. Ritchie, whose brother has the contract just before he left on the Lurline for the coast today. He came here to superintend the work but was taken ill and ordered back to California last month. He has stayed, despite the doctor's orders, until the assessments for the work were collected. F. R. Ritchie, the contractor, expects to be here by July 1 to see the work started.

A. M. Cristy, deputy city attorney, agrees with Ritchie. "All but two of the Manoa assessments have been paid," he said this morning. "One of the two is certain to be paid before the day is over. The other property owner says she has not the money needed. I will ask the board to authorize me to post a notice of sale of the property tomorrow. Before I can get around to that I am sure she will have found a way to raise the money. She holds a big piece of property out there and only a small section of it has been taxed."

First steps towards the issue of bonds to cover the unpaid instalments of the district assessments will probably be taken tonight. The issue will be about \$140,000 and it is expected that as soon as the necessary documents are drawn up local banks will assure the supervisors that when the legal four weeks' publication of notice of the bond issue is completed the bonds will be purchased. As soon as this assurance is received the board can give notice to the contractor to begin work on the improvement project.

## HAD OPIUM CONCEALED IN OLD GINGER BOTTLE

After a dollar's worth of opium had been purchased from him by an informer, Wong Sow Sing, a Chinese, was arrested by Deputy Marshal Otto Heine this morning and is now being held by the federal authorities pending a commissioner's hearing of his case. In a search made in Wong's store on Pauahi street two horns of opium were found concealed in an old stone ginger bottle. Given a mild "third degree" by Marshal J. J. Smiddy, Wong failed to divulge where he had purchased the opium.

## WIRELESS TESTS MAKE CERTAIN EARLY SERVICE

Regular wireless service between Honolulu and Japan will be instituted within two months, if present plans go through according to schedule. Nichi Tokata, chief engineer of the department of communications of the Japanese government has completed his third test, and a fourth test between Tokyo and Kahuku will be made within the next month.

"We fully expect that the service will be established within two months," said W. P. S. Hawk, manager of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America today when asked concerning the present tests that are being made. "Experiments have thus far been so satisfactory that we can feel assured that service will be instituted within a short time."

"All tests made during the past few months have taken place at Tokyo, and consequently we have not been notified of the advancement of the same, but the fourth and final test will consist of an exchange of messages between Honolulu and Tokyo, and it is hoped that the final test will be completed within a month."

"When this service is established it will revolutionize the sending of messages to the Orient, as it will be the longest commercial wireless service in the world."

The distance from Kahuku to Tokyo is more than 4200 miles, which is 1000 miles further than the distance between wireless stations on the Atlantic.

"We will all welcome the establishment of the commercial service, as it will create new business and give the people an opportunity to send night messages. At the present time we can communicate with Tokyo at night, and when the day test is completed it will mean just one more step in advance on the Pacific," he concluded.

An illustrated lecture on the subject, "The Old Testament and the Monuments," will be delivered in Cooke Hall, Y. M. C. A. building, this evening by Rev. L. L. Looftbourrow, pastor of the Methodist church.

The members of the Catholic Ladies' Aid Society will meet in the Library of Hawaii at 3 o'clock next Thursday afternoon.



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## JUDGE MORROW IS ADVOCATE OF 'PREPAREDNESS'

Whether or not there will be another war will depend upon the United States, in the opinion of Judge W. W. Morrow of the United States circuit court of appeals, San Francisco. Speaking at the Commercial Club this noon he said that with proper preparedness any proclamation of this country would be respected in future years.

As a member of the League to Enforce Peace, he said, he advocated the establishment of an international tribunal to which all international questions of moment should be submitted.

"What do you suppose would happen if a man, sued on a written contract, should come into court and say, 'That document is worth nothing. It is a mere scrap of paper?' he asked. "Why, without a minute's hesitation the court would proceed to enforce, by physical means if necessary, that contract."

The topic on which he was scheduled to speak was "Military and Naval Preparedness." When he arose he declared that not he, but Gen. Evans, who sat at his right, was the man to speak on "Military Preparedness," and the commander of the navy, who sat at his left, on "Naval Preparedness." Instantly Gen. Evans replied, laughing, "But we are not allowed to talk, you know."

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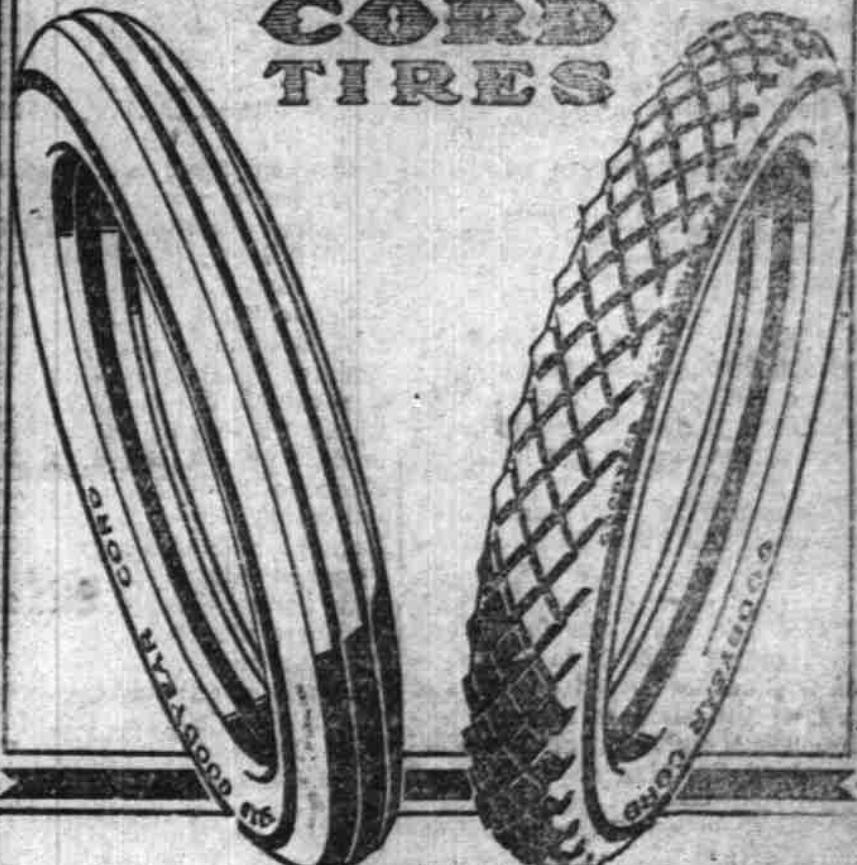
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